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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)

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Sir:

A two month extension of the period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated November 24, 2003, is hereby requested; the extended period for response will expire on April 26, 2004.

Please charge the \$420.00 extension fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. 01-0682. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>01-0682</u>.

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